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TAGS: OVIP (GYANENDRA)
SUBJ: PRINCE GYANENDRA VISIT TO U.S.

1. WE DO NOT BELIEVE IT NECESSARY TO RECOMMEND DEPARTURE FROM USUAL PRESIDENTIAL PRACTICE IN CONNECTION WITH PRINCE GYANENDRA'S REQUEST FOR CALL ON PRESIDENT. HOWEVER, WE RECOMMEND SPECIAL TOUR OF WHITE HOUSE AND, IF AT ALL POSSIBLE, CALL ON VICE PRESIDENT. AMBASSADOR ALSO HOPES IT WILL ALSO BE POSSIBLE FOR BILL CORDUS AND AMBASSADOR BLACK TO MEET PRINCE AND PRINCESS AND TO ARRANGE SUITABLE OFFICIAL SOCIAL FUNCTION FOR THEM IN WASHINGTON.

2. WE HAVE BEEN IN TOUCH WITH CHIRAN THAPA OF THE PALACE ABOUT PLANNING AND DESIRES ON NEPALESE SIDE FOR PRINCE GYANENDRA'S VISIT. CHIRAN REPORTS THAT THIS WILL BE THE FIRST VISIT TO THE U.S. FOR BOTH PRINCE GYANENDRA AND PRINCESS KOMAL AND THAT THAT THEY HOPE TO COMBINE BUSINESS WITH PLEASURE. HE SAYS AMBASSADOR KHATRI HAS BEEN IN TOUCH WITH DILLON RIPLEY ABOUT VISIT, BUT CHIRAN IS UNAWARE OF ANY SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS AT THIS POINT OTHER THAN ATTENDANCE AT WORLD WILD LIFE CONFERENCE. CHIRAN INDICATED INTEREST IN KEEPING IN TOUCH WITH US ON DETAILS OF PROGRAM AS PLANNING FOR VISIT DEVELOPS.

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3. AMBASSADOR HAS NUMBER OF SUGGESTIONS TO MAKE REGARDING CALIFORNIA PORTION OF VISIT. LOS ANGELES PROGRAM SHE SUGGESTS CONTACT WITH PRESIDENTIAL HUBBARD OF USC AND WITH RONALD REAGAN'S OFFICE. AMBASSADOR WILL ALSO DISCUSS WITH HER FRIEND MRS. DART, A PROMINENT LA RESIDENT, WHEN MRS. DART VISITS HERE IN OCTOBER. VISITS TO LION COUNTRY SAFARI AND DISNEYLAND ALSO RECOMMENDED. FOR SAN DIEGO, AMBASSADOR SUGGESTS GORDON LUCE, PRESIDENT OF SAN DIEGO SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, BE APPROACHED FOR ASSISTANCE IN SETTING UP APPROPRIATE PROGRAM, WHICH COULD INCLUDE VISITS TO ZOO AND SEA WORLD.

4. AMBASSADOR SENDS GREETINGS TO BILL CODUS AND AMBASSADOR BLACK.
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